[Mr. K. M. Kesavan.]

(*a*) how far they have progressed in opening a sanatorium in Asaripallam for tubercular patients

(*b*) what will be its total cost ; and

(*c*) when will it be completed ?

Vaidyasastrakusala Dr. (Mrs.) M. Poonen Lukose (*Surgeon-General*) :

(*a*) The buildings for the administration block and the two wards for patients are nearing completion. The Medical Officers' quarters and the Nursing Sisters' quarters are under construction,

(*b*) Land acquisition charges	Rs. 10,668
The estimated cost of sanctioned works including the anticipated expenditure for water supply, sanitary fittings, etc.	Rs. 73,498
Total	Rs. 84,166

(*c*) The sanctioned works are expected to be completed during 1116.

Mr. K. M. Kesavan : With reference to answer to part (*c*) may I know whether more buildings are to be constructed for housing the patients ?

Vaidyasastrakusala Dr. (Mrs.) M. Poonen Lukose: Yes, Sir.

Mr. K. M. Kesavan : May I know how long it will take to complete those buildings ?

Vaidyasastrakusala Dr. (Mrs.) M. Poonen Lukose: I am not able to state a definite period. They may probably be finished within a year.

Grant-in-aid Vaidyasala for the treatment of eye diseases.

21. * **Sahib Bahadur M. Sultan Muhiadheen** (*Trivandrum and Nedumangad* cum *Chirayinkil*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether Mr. Mahommed Haneef and others have petitioned the Government for opening a grant-in-aid vaidyasala at Thengapattanam for the treatment of eye diseases in Edavam 1115; and

(*b*) if so the action taken on the same ?

Mr. P. S. Kuppuswami Aiyar (*Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) Yes:

(*b*) The petition was enquired into and the petitioners were told that the question of awarding State recognition to the Vaidya sala would be considered, when it is conducted in a suitable building with the necessary equipments, according to the rules on the subject.

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